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GOERING CHEATS GALLOWS

Commits Suicide In His Cell Almost At The Zero-Hour

Ten Other Nazis Executed

(By Thomas Ready)

Nuernberg, Oct. 16.

Hermann Goering, No. 2 man of the dead Nazi regime, cheated the noose by taking poison in his cell last night, but 16 other Hitler henchmen plunged to their deaths on the gallows early today in expiation of their war crimes. Col. B. C. Andrus, security chief for the prison, made this announcement relative to Goering:

"Goering was not hanged. He committed suicide at 1045 o'clock last night by taking cyanide of potassium. He was discovered at once by sentinels who watched and heard him make an odd noise, and twitch. A sentinel called a doctor and chaplain who were in the corridor and who found him dying. There were pieces of glass in his mouth and an odor of potassium on his breath."

"Goering's hands did not go beneath his blankets and were not observed going to his mouth. An investigation is now going on to learn how he could conceal poison when he was subject to daily and rigorous searches, both of his clothes and person.

"The cyanide was contained in a small cartridge case similar to those found before on other Nazis and like the one found on him a year ago last May at Mondorf prison. At that time it was hidden in a can of Nescafe."

Kingsbury Smith, representing the combined American press, said Joachim von Ribbentrop was the first man to die. While awaiting the placing of a black hood over his head, he uttered these last words: "God save Germany!"

Smith said most of the doomed men made brief "Long live Germany" statements on the scaffold. None collapsed and most mounted the 13 steps to the rope steadily, though with U.S. Army guards at each side.

"Heil Hitler!"

Julius Streicher, the Jew baiter, was the only one to shout "Heil Hitler" as he was about to mount the scaffold. He made the most commotion, shouting bitterly and defiantly: "the Bolsheviks will handle you!"

He was the only one to speak after the hood was being placed over his head, mentioning something about "Adele, my beloved wife."

Admiral Keitel asked for protection for Germany just before he died.

Alfred Rosenberg was pale but composed as he came to the gallows. Asked if he had any last word, he said "no."

Thanks God

Hans Frank muttered a barely audible thanks for his good treatment and thanked God for his "good protection."

Kaltenbrunner declared: "I loved my people and my country. I have done my duty toward my country at a difficult time and I have not participated in the crimes."

Fritz Sauckel, the Nazi labour boss who had done most of the protesting about his conviction in the two weeks since the trial, went to his death bravely, saying: "May God protect Germany and my family."

Each of the condemned was held steady by two U.S. Army guards from the time he left his cell until the trap was sprung. Their hands were tied behind them with black shoe laces and their feet strapped with army belts.

Sports Jacket

Wilhelm Frick was dressed in the gaudy sports jacket he wore during the trial. As he got the first glimpse of the gallows he cried out "God help Germany always!"

The executions took approximately 90 minutes.

Ribbentrop went through the trap at 1214 GMT. The last to die was Arthur Seyss-Inquart who went through the trap at 0146 GMT.

Ernest Kaltenbrunner was so pale when he mounted the gallows that scars on his cheeks shown out a blood red colour.

An envelope found on Goering's body contained pencilled notes. After the 10 were hanged Goering's corpse was brought into the execution chamber to be carried out by sentinels.

Jodl, face flushed and eyes red, paid the final bill with the words: "I salute you, my Germany."

The Last Act

Seyss-Inquart's glasses were removed as the executioner slipped the noose over his head. He said in a quiet, scholarly way: "I hope that this execution is the last act of the tragedy of the second World War and that a lesson will be learned so that peace and understanding will be realised among the nations. I believe in Germany."

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Gas Co. Showroom Robbed

(By Margaret Bradbury)

The Hong Kong Gas Company lost $6,000 in a daring daylight robbery shortly after 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when two men held up a shroff carrying the money from the Gloucester Arcade to offices on the first floor of the building.

The shroff, Wong Chung, was bound, gagged and flung into a lavatory half-way between the ground and first floors. Here he was found at 5.20 p.m. by Mr. H. V. Ardy, Assistant Distribution Superintendent of the company.

Wong Chung said that he had not seen either of the two men before. One of them, he said, carried a revolver. One wore khaki clothes, the other was in a Chinese black suit.

Considerable difficulty was experienced by the Gas Company in getting through to the Police. Mr. Ardy said he started trying to get through on the telephone at about 5.20 o'clock but could get no response from Central Police Station. He kept on telephoning until 5.45 p.m. and then, still getting no reply, tried the Upper Levels station, Central Division.

Line Busy!

Here, although he pointed out that he was trying to report that an armed robbery had just occurred, Mr. Ardy was told by the operator that he would have to wait until the line was not busy.

Eventually, according to Gas Company officials, a police party did arrive—at 6.05 p.m.—in the shape of officers from both Central Police Station "probe" and from the Upper Levels Station.

A colleague of mine was informed later by Central Police Station that the robbery took place between 5 and 5.15 p.m. They received a telephone message reporting it at 5.35 p.m. and a party was sent immediately.

When I crossed the harbour about an hour after Mr. Ardy had discovered the bound shroff—I was actually on the scene long before the Police arrived—the Police had flung their usual cordon along the water-front, sifting the rush-hour ferry crowds bound for Kowloon.

Up to the time of going to Press, no arrests had been made.

Enemy Ships To Be Sunk

Shanghai, Oct. 16.

The Chinese Navy, with instructions to sink "all enemy ships," has begun operations off China's south coast in an attempt to destroy a pirate fleet.

The main objective is the pirate flagship, the gunboat "Hai Hsing," which until recently was a regular unit of China's small navy.

There are two versions of how "Hai Hsing," which means "prosperity," came into the hands of the pirates. One is that her crew mutinied and turned pirate. The other is that the pirates captured the ship while she was sailing to Hong Kong.

"Hai Tsing" has done a profitable business operating along the Kwangtung peninsula about 120 miles south of Canton. Unsuspecting junks offer no resistance when the Government gunboat hauls up alongside and puts "search parties" on aboard. Then it is too late.—Associated Press.

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MEMO FOR MOVIE-FANS

Johannesburg, Oct. 16.

Peerbhai Ebrahim, Malay ginger-beer manufacturer in Cape Town, whose 80th child is expected shortly, says:

"I think European people spend too much time in cinemas."

When he takes his family for a picnic, Ebrahim has to hire a motor truck.—Associated Press.

'Why Not?'

London, Oct. 15.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, told the House of Commons today that he had no intention of publishing the correspondence between President Truman and himself on the situation in Palestine.

This, in reply to a question by Captain Gammans, Conservative, was greeted with Opposition cries of "Why not?" and Captain Gammans asked if the Prime Minister did not realise that the question of Palestine was doing more to poison Anglo-American relations than anything else.

Captain Gammans said that the House was entitled to know what representations had been made by the Prime Minister to the American Government on this subject.

Mr. Attlee said that he was not prepared to accept either of those statements but clearly it was a question for consideration whether the correspondence between President Truman and himself should be published or not. So far as he was aware, there was no precedent.—Reuter.

NEVILLE HEATH HANGED

London, Oct. 16.

Neville George Clevely Heath, handsome young ex-R.A.F. pilot, was hanged at grim Pentonville prison today for the sadistic murder of motion picture extra Margery Gardner.

Heath was convicted in one of the most sensational murder trials in Britain's history. Mrs. Gardner's body was found in Heath's London hotel room last June 21 nude with ankles bound. She had been lashed 17 times across her breast and back; there were teeth marks on her body, and she had been severely mutilated with a poker-like instrument.

Heath was also charged with the sadistic slaying of pretty Doreen Marshall, aged 21, at the swank Bournemouth seaside resort less than two weeks later. Miss Marshall's body, also bitten and slashed wantonly, was found in a grove near the shore.

A crowd of approximately 500 men, women and children milled about outside the prison walls waiting for the posting of the Court Notice announcing that the curly-headed aviator had paid with his life for the crimes which shocked Britain.

Condemned for one murder and known to have committed another, this former Borstal boy and thief, who was cashiered three times from the Services spent many of his last hours playing poker with two of his death guards in his cell.

Heath joined the Royal Air Force in 1936 and was court-martialled after a year's service. He then began a wild career throughout England, posing in some places as the Earl of Dudley, passing worthless cheques and living on women, whom he apparently fascinated with his good looks and charm.

Neither was he above burglary and sneak thieving when all other means to get money failed. In July, 1938, he was sent to Borstal for three years. Early in the war, he became a commissioned Army officer. In Cairo, he led a wild life until the false cheques he issued resulted in his being cashiered and dismissed the service.

Amazing Career

He jumped ship at Durban on his way home and after another amazing series of escapades managed to get a commission in the South African Air Force under an assumed name and married into a wealthy South African family. His wife, Elizabeth Pitt Rivers, divorced him in 1946.

Heath returned to England as a pilot and after service on the continent he went back with his squadron to South Africa, where he was once again court-martialled and dismissed the service. He returned once more to England for the last and wildest phase of his life. He indulged in sadistic orgies in London and took money from women.

Animal lust eventually turned him into a sadistic murderer. The murder on June 20 of Mrs. Margery Aimee Brownell Howard Gardner, film extra in a London hotel and the horrible slaying of 21-year-old Doreen Marshall at a South coast pleasure resort on July 4 constituted the climax to his career of theft, forgery, lust, debauchery and sadism.—Reuter.

NEWSPRINT DIFFICULTIES

The "China Mail" regrets the reduction in the size of the paper this morning. Newsprint difficulties—the protracted delay in arrival of a vessel bringing supplies from Canada, and inability to secure newsprint of the appropriate size in the local market—are responsible. We expect to be in a position to revert to normal early next week.

Goering Did The Impossible

(By G. K. Hodenfield)

Nuernberg, Oct. 16.

An actor to the last, Goering cheated the gallows in the closing minutes of the last act by swallowing potassium cyanide, and thus created a breath-taking new mystery.

How the one time Reichsmarshal and Luftwaffe boss managed to conceal the vial of poison for a year and half, or, alternatively, who smuggled it to him in his closely guarded jail cell, were questions which had intelligence officers of four nations hard at work this morning.

Potassium cyanide crystals were carried by all top Nazis at the end of the war. The poison works fast. Himmler died less than a minute after crushing the capsule in his teeth after his capture by the British in 1945.

A capsule was found on Goering after his capture. It was taken away and since then Goering's person and clothes in his cell had been searched at least 100 times.

All through the trial, a guard stood within three feet of Goering in the courtroom and he was never allowed to pass anything to his attorneys, except through the guard. He was guarded by two soldiers every foot of the way to and from the courtroom.

Under A Light

In prison, a guard stood outside his cell peering in 24 hours a day. A light was always on night and day. Goering was not allowed to sleep with his face to the wall. He had to keep his hands outside the covers, where the guard could always see them.

When his wife and daughter visited him, they were separated by a table and screen, with a guard at each end.

The prison commandant, Colonel B.C. Andrus, had boasted time and again that "suicide is impossible" in the Nuernberg jail.

But Goering did it. How?—Associated Press.

Enquiry

A three-man board has been appointed to investigate into the suicide of Goering for the Allied Control Council.

Public Relations Officer Col. Richard McConnell said that a "disinterested" officer from the United States Army was named chairman of the board. He said that the identity of all three has not been divulged.

McConnell added that at this time "no arrests have been made and none are at present contemplated." Asked if this included Emma Goering, who visited her husband last week, McConnell simply repeated his statement.—Associated Press.

NAZIS?

Paris, Oct. 15.

The French judiciary police announced today the arrest of several members of a secret organisation, which they think may be the nucleus of a new pro-Nazi movement.

The police theory is that the new organisation was intended to include former members of war-time pro-Nazi groups, like the Militia, Waffen, S.S. and Vichy Volunteers.—Reuter.

London, Oct. 15.

Viscount Addison, Secretary for the Dominions, told the House today that the return to Germany of 200,000 refugees in Denmark was under discussion by the Allied Control Council in Germany.—Reuter.

Briton Shoots Robber

(By "Paul Pry")

Awakened just before dawn yesterday by a man coming into his room, Chief Junk Inspector Francis Brett fired three shots at the intruder. The man managed to get away, but not unscathed. He was picked up a little later with a bullet in his stomach.

Brett, who lives at 2 Ventris Road (behind Wongneichong Road), was awakened around 4.30 a.m. by the man, who inadvertently made a noise in the bedroom. As soon as he saw that Brett was awake, he turned and fled, hotly pursued by Brett who, after warning him, opened fire with his pistol.

He fired one shot as the man ran through the bedroom—and missed, which is understandable in the case of a man just roused from a deep sleep. He took another shot at the man as he flung himself down the stairs—and missed again.

As the robber momentarily poised himself on a windowsill, Brett fired again and the man fell through onto the ground outside. For a moment, Brett thought he had missed once more, but a trail of blood leading up the hillside showed the Junk Inspector that he had got his "eye in" just in time.

Two Chinese police constables, hearing the shots, came up at the double. They followed the blood stains and soon had the man in custody. On him was a torch, a pencil and a gold wrist-watch, all the property of Mr. Brett.

He [illegible] a bullet [illegible] his stomach and subsequent examination at the hospital showed that Brett's last shot had—to use a naval term—penetrated the body well aft and gone through to the stomach.

Interviewed by Inspector Ewins at the hospital, I understand, he admitted having carried out two previous robberies in the same area—which has had no less than 11 larcenies this month alone. I am also informed that the man had a very bad crime record in Hong Kong before the war.

RASC Boat Seized

Trieste, Oct. 16.

A British officer and three men of the Royal Army Service Corps, whose motorboat broke down off the coast of the Yugoslav zone of Venezia Giulia, south of Trieste, have been taken into custody by the Yugoslav authorities, it was learned today.

They were cruising off the coast near where the Italian liner "Rex"—sunk during the war by British rocket-firing planes—lies in Capodistara Bay, when the engine gave out and the boat drifted to shore.

After the Yugoslavs had taken the British into custody, they allowed one man to telephone to Trieste and a British launch was sent to tow away the motorboat.

As the boat was being towed off, shots were fired at it—though not at the launch—from shore. The British, who have been held by the Yugoslavs since Sunday, are expected to be released today.—Associated Press and Reuter.

THE WEATHER

A moderate anticyclone covers China and another appears to be developing over Western Mongolia. A depression is moving into the Pacific to the E of Hokaido and a trough extends from it along the eastern waters of Japan. Pressure is relatively low with shallow low pressure centres over the southern region.

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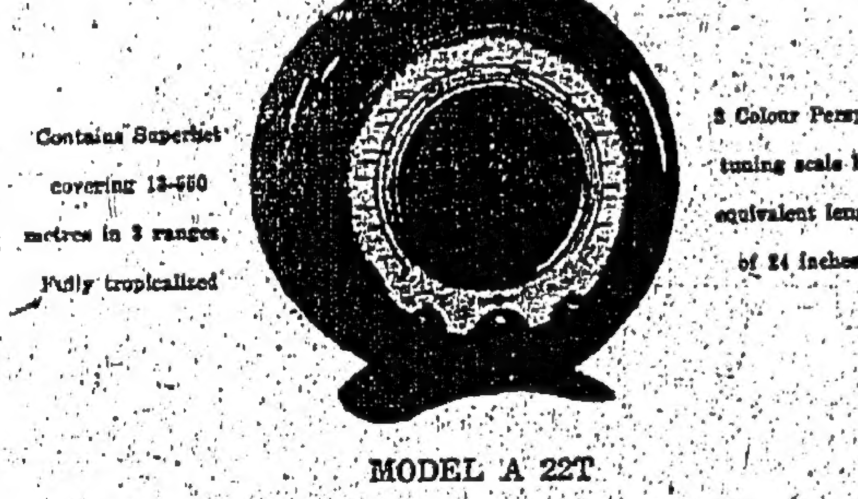

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NEW COINAGE

In a world of managed currencies, little stir has been caused by the announcement that Britain's silver currency is to go the same way as gold. Just as the "promise to pay" which appears on banknotes has become, more or less, meaningless formula, so the phrase "Would you like it in silver?" will become, if it lingers at all, no more than a courtesy term at the banks. Mr. Dalton's proposal merely carries a process commenced by Mr. Churchill just a stage further. Since 1920 all new silver coins have in fact been merely semi-silver coins of different alloys, alike only in their content of 50 per cent. silver. The new coins to be issued in the British Isles will be cupra-nickel, similar in most respects to the Hong Kong ten and twenty cent pieces of pre-war days. Technically, of course, the currency is being debased, with the same object that has served many Governments in history, the creation of an unearned profit for the Treasury. By withdrawing the existing coins, some £75,000,000 worth of silver, borrowed from the United States during the war on Lend-Lease, can be repaid at relatively small cost. The present-day English shilling is intrinsically worth about five pence; the new cupra-nickel coin will be worth but a fraction of a penny. Both, however, must be regarded as token coins and therefore as merely a more durable form of banknote, so that there can be no logical reason why they should not be made less expensive to produce. Here in Hong Kong, it is to be hoped that an effort will soon be made to provide metallic subsidiary coinage and permit the bits of dirty paper that pass for five and ten cent notes to be sent into the refuse destructor, where they really belong. Notes for such low denominations are relatively new to Hong Kong. They were, in fact, only introduced as a war measure when shortages of coins created a pressing problem. There is little or no excuse for their perpetuation. A ten cent piece will buy little but in the form of a coin it is invested with some sort of dignity, and when it comes to keeping a man contented, there is a lot to be said in favour of giving him a little something to jingle in his pocket.

Chu Teh On Gen. Stilwell

San Francisco, Oct. 16.

General Chu Teh, Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese Communist armies, has written Mrs. Stilwell that "the Chinese people will remember forever General Stilwell's contribution to the war against Japan and his struggle for a just American policy toward China."

Chu's letter was reported in a broadcast from the Communist Headquarters at Yenan.

The Yenan "Emancipation Daily" said that General Stilwell's death was a loss to all Chinese democrats and added that he firmly advocated reorganisation of the "corrupt Kuomintang Government" and rendering of equal aid to both Kuomintang and Communist parties to strengthen the fight against Japan.—Associated Press.

MARRIAGE BAR LIFTED

London, Oct. 16.

Abolition from today of the marriage bar on women in the British home Civil Service was announced by Mr. Hugh Dalton, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in the House of Commons today.

Married women, who on account of domestic responsibilities or otherwise, are unable to comply with the normal conditions of their employment will not be retained in the service.

There will be no right of reinstatement to women who have in the past been requested to resign on marriage.—Reuter.

H.K. RABBIT WARREN

When a combined force of the United States Air Force operating from bases in southwest China and planes from an American Task Force cruising off Formosa bombed out the Causeway Bay and Taikoo districts in a four-day operation from April 1 to 4, 1945, everyone of the local populace who was then in the Colony was of unanimous opinion that a raid of such intensity could only presage a land attack on Hong Kong.

As it turned out they were wrong, but not exactly a long way off the mark. The general plan of campaign at the time, with its principal emphasis on mopping-up operations in the Philippines and the assault on Okinawa, was yet rather vague and American naval men and pilots who had flown over Hong Kong at the time were of the opinion that this was, at the least, then under consideration.

Some have ventured so far as to claim to be in the know over a land attack on the Colony that would have involved Canadian troops and was planned for the end of August. There is in human nature an element of romance and the boys may simply have been going on guess-work.

The Japanese defenders of Hong Kong were, however, definitely planning for an assault both from land and sea and evidence is now to hand that the Nips were planning to put up a big show before the final retirement to the monument on the hill adjoining Mount Cameron for a mass hari-kiri ceremony, if we are to believe the evidence of the Kowloon Kempeitai chief who stated as much under cross-examination during the trial of George Wong.

Vast System

With all this now in the past, it is possible to take a look at what the Japanese were planning to do and then to indulge in a long shiver before making a bee-line for the bar. The true extent of Japanese plans is perhaps a War Office secret. What we can make of them is built on that surmise that is possible from the available evidence.

There is daily more of it as the vast system of tunnels honeycombing the whole area extending from King's Park across Waterloo Road to Kadoorie Avenue and from thence up to Grampian Road, covering vast areas of Kowloon Tong in the direction of La Salle is being slowly and painstakingly uncovered by the Army Ordinance and P.W.D. teams.

The survey is yet in its half-way stage after having taken more than an year, being one of the first jobs started after the re-occupation of Hong Kong. Estimates so far place the network over the whole Colony at over 20 miles.

From the few miles of these rabbit warrens so far probed into several thousand tons of ammunition, mostly high explosive, have been unearthed and destroyed. This alone would not point to anything specific in Nip intentions to go underground, but a major clue to what the Japanese were thinking about is pointed at by the quantities of solidified alcohol that have been found in these tunnels, an indication that there was intention to cook underground.

H.K.'s Escape

Should the war have dragged through August and the assault on Malaya have been successfully carried out with the Japanese still resisting, Hong Kong would have been a shambles second to no other place in the Far East barring Hiroshima, Nagasaki and other Japanese towns.

Whatever can be said against the atomic bomb, it probably saved the lives of thousands of those who would have died in Hong Kong. Main system of defence would probably have been the network of tunnels under Kadoorie Avenue and the Diocesan Boys' School. It is a matter of opinion how much explosive it would have taken to bring the Nips who would have been lodged there from under cover. The earth in that section is not particularly firm and landslides after a few block-busters may have worked the trick. Again, they may have not. In the process, however, most of Kowloon east of Nathan Road would have been levelled and the rest of the Colony would have come in a for a hair-raising hammering.

Other indications that this system of tunnels would have been the main defence system lies in the fact that most prominent Japanese army officers lived in Kadoorie Avenue or in that portion of Kowloon Tong adjacent to it.

Peak System

On the Island there is another system of tunnels on the Peak that has been subjected so far to only an initial survey. That would probably have been the Nip C.-in-C.'s headquarters until the ceremonial bowing and scrapping by the monument and the gory business.

However, the emphasis seems to have been on the Kadoorie Avenue-Ho Mun Tin system. Excavations there are continuous and more dangerous. Those who have worked on them or are still working on them usually go the whole hog on Brother Bacchus on Saturday nights. Some of them wonder why no-one has done anything about placing the road up to the Diocesan Boys' School out of bounds as the possibility of one of the more venturesome boys picking up a souvenir for which he may have to pay in life or limb is not remote.

CARNIVAL By Dick Turner

"Better put it back! You wanna get us hung up for kidnapin'?"

WHY GERMANY LOST THE WAR

Could we have avoided defeat? What opportunities did we miss?" Goering's reply to these questions was published yesterday. Today, Field-Marshal Keitel gives his version.

Nuernberg, Wednesday.

"The Allies missed many chances exactly as we did. The only difference was that they caught up with their mistakes sooner or later, while ours finally lead to defeat and capitulation," said Keitel, ex-Chief of the Supreme Command of the Wehrmacht.

"Every war has an abundance of lost opportunities. It is true, however, that this last one was specially rich in them," said Keitel.

Keitel declared that the last war was so gigantic in its proportions that none of the antagonists could foresee or control all the eventualities, possibilities and occasions.

"One of our biggest missed opportunities was El Alamein," he said. "I would say that at that climax of the war we were nearer to victory than at any time before or after. Very little was needed then to conquer Alexandria and push forward to Suez and Palestine, but we were just not strong enough at that particular point due to dispersion of our forces in the war against Russia.

"Instead of attacking Russia we should have strangled the British Empire by closing the Mediterranean.

"The first step in this operation would have been the conquest of Gibraltar.

Franco Ready

"That was another great opportunity we missed. Everything, indeed, was prepared for such an attack. Among other things we had organised manoeuvres in the French Jura Mountains to try out LFH 18/105 cannons as well as our SFH 18/150 and 210 mortars against solid rocks."

Keitel said General Franco was willing to put Spanish territory at the disposition of the Nazis. All he asked was that they should save his face by repeating the Greek trick on the peninsula.

"That meant he wanted us to provoke a British landing somewhere on the coasts of Spain or Portugal so that he would appeal to Hitler for help and open up the Pyrenees to us," said Keitel.

"The conquest of Gibraltar under those conditions would have been feasible without any doubt. The Wehrmacht, the Luftwaffe and the Navy could have launched a concerted assault.

"Several hours battering the Rock with our artillery from Algeciras, a permanent aerial bombardment and with frontal attack by our land troops from the north would have quickly finished the fortress."

"However, Hitler didn't try it. He knew by heart every episode in the Napoleonic Wars and he was aware of the fact that Spanish Wars are usually long and costly.

Hitler's Fears

"At the last minute he cancelled the project because he feared complications and did not want to be engaged at the two extremities of Europe at the time."

Field-Marshal Keitel said the last opportunity the Germans missed was the Rundstedt offensive against Antwerp in December, 1944. "If we had won that," he said, "we might have regained enough time to put our jet fighters and super-rockets into full operation."

"The offensive failed because of the numerous mistakes of the adjutants of Field-Marshal Rundstedt, notably ex-Sergeant Sepp Dietrich, who had seven divisions under his orders, but lacked the indispensable strategic competence to command them.

"However, as I have said, the other side missed plenty of opportunities, too. It is my firm conviction that the Allies could have won the war right after it started.

"If I had been in command in France at that time the Germans would never have got into France in the first place.

"On September 3 and on the following days it was a great surprise to us and an incomprehensible mystery to observe the Allies, instead of opening a full-scale attack, only stretching out a few timid feelers into our West Wall.

"I am sure they would have been strong enough at that time to have trespassed our fortified lines. The target of such an offensive would have been, of course, the Saar, the Ruhr, and the passage of the Rhine.

A Gamble

"If those objectives were rapidly reached Hitler would have been obliged to have withdrawn troops from the east and the entire aspect of the war in Poland would have changed.

"Victory or defeat are the results of a thousand imponderable circumstances. Every war is a gamble from the first day to the last. We have gambled and we have lost, but I know today that even had we won it would not have brought us happiness.

"Every game where the stakes are millions of fellow human beings can never be worth the candle."

DISCRIMINATION NOT ALLOWED

Frankfurt, Oct. 16.

The United States Military Government in Bavaria has served notice on the German Bar Association that it will not permit discrimination against German lawyers for activities as defence counsel in war crimes trials, an Army Public Relations official in Munich said.

The Cologne Bar Association recently urged disbarment action against the German lawyers who defended Goering and other Nazis.—Associated Press.

SOLDIER'S RIGHT OF APPEAL

Committee To Be Set Up By War Office To Consider

Unfavourable Earlier Reports

London, Oct. 15.

The appointment of a committee to consider whether under the Military Code there should be the right of appeal to a court of appeal was announced in the House of Commons today by the War Minister, Mr. Frederick Bellenger.

Answering a number of questions arising from the recent quashing of convictions by court martial against British paratroopers in Malaya, Mr. Bellenger said that the exact composition and terms of reference of the committee would need consideration. An announcement would be made as soon as possible.

Mr. Bellenger said: "The suggestion that under the Military Code there should be the right of appeal to a court of appeal in the ordinarily understood sense of that term is not new. Two important committees, whose reports were laid before this House, have already considered the question.

"The first was the committee presided over by the late Justice Darling which sat in 1919 and deliberated in the light of experience of the Great War. The second was the committee presided over by Mr. Roland Oliver, King's Counsel (now Justice Oliver), which reported in 1938. Both these committees reported against the setting up of service appeal courts and gave weighty reasons for their views, which are fully set out in their reports.

"I will not attempt to recapitulate those reasons here but would point out that the Darling committee considered that the existing system of automatic-review of court martial proceedings by the Judge Advocate General and a further review on petition furnishes the soldier convicted by court martial with fuller safeguards against error at his trial than are available to a civilian convicted in a civil court.

Later On

"However, as the former Secretary of State for War (Mr. Jack Lawson) indicated on December 4 last, it was always contemplated that an investigation should be undertaken in the light of recent war experience and he suggested that it would be desirable to appoint a committee for this purpose a little later on when the Judge Advocate General and other staffs intimately concerned were less heavily pressed with current business.

"I agree with that view and after consulting the Secretary for Air (Mr. Philip Noel Baker) I now propose that a committee of similar standing to the Darling and Oliver committees should be set up forthwith for this purpose. The exact composition and terms of reference of the committee will need consideration and I will make an announcement as soon as I can.—Questions relating to the administration of justice under naval law would be a matter for the First Lord of the Admiralty (Mr. George Hall)."

Mr. Hector Hughes, Labour: In setting up that committee, will he in conjunction with the appropriate authorities take steps to inquire into the advisability of amending the Army Act and other acts relative to the armed forces, so as to make them more consonant with the needs and conditions of the present time.

Mr. Bellenger: I think that question is one which the committee had better consider.

"Habeas Corpus"

Mr. Barnet Janner, Labour: Will he answer that portion of the question put by myself in relation to the right of a soldier to appeal against his conviction and penalty to a court constituted of at least one civilian judge. Will he consider giving the right to apply to a court to be freed from detention.

Mr. Bellenger: I think that will be one of the matters to come under the review of the committee.—Reuter.

CAIRO ARRESTS

Cairo, Oct. 16.

Arrests were made and some people were injured here tonight after the police had clashed with student demonstrators, who urged workers to strike tomorrow in protest against the departure of Ismail Sidky Pasha, the Egyptian Prime Minister, for talks in London.

About three hundred students marched through the streets, shouting slogans against the Premier and distributing leaflets, urging workers to strike.

Several lorries, full of police, dashed to the scene and after a brief clash, in which the police used whips and bamboo canes, the demonstrators were dispersed.—Reuter.

Hanging Not To Be Filmed

London, Oct. 15.

That the hanging of Goering and others condemned at Nuernberg would be filmed was described as inaccurate by Mr. Attlee, in the House of Commons today.

He said that the Allied Control Council, on which the British Government was represented, decided last week that no film or photograph should be taken of the execution.

Photographs of the bodies would be taken after death by an official photographer, accompanied by representatives of each of the four powers for record purposes. These would be the only photographs allowed.

There had been no decision of the Allied Council on the question of the publication of these photographs.

"For my part, I should be strongly opposed to their publication," Mr. Attlee declared.

He was replying to Mr. Anthony Eden, Conservative, who had asked if the British Government was taking every action in its power to prevent a public exhibition of any such film or photograph.—Reuter.

Last Session Of Paris Conference

Paris, Oct. 15.

The Palace of Luxembourg was crowded to capacity for the last session of the Paris Conference this afternoon.

All the Big Four Foreign Ministers—Mr. Bevin, M. Bidault, Mr. Byrnes and Mr. Molotov—were present as the session opened.

The chairman was Dr. Quo Tai-chi (China).

Announcing the conclusion of the conference, Dr. Quo said: "This conference, after two and a half months, has finished its work. History alone will judge what has been achieved. But of one thing I am certain—the world in which we live today is a single and indivisible world. It is time that justice, decency, reason, and humanity be firmly re-established in the world. This can only be achieved by the constant efforts of all nations and their statesmen to co-operate with each other in confidence, good faith and unity.

"That is why I say any attempt artificially to divide the world into blocs or groups is not only calculated to delay decisions for world peace, but will surely lead to disaster."

People's Peace

Mr. James Byrnes answered critics of the work of the conference and pleaded for a "people's peace."

"Whenever I think of the way in which the representatives of smaller nations have worked at this conference, I realise how distressed the peoples of these countries would have been had they been denied the opportunity to express their views," he said. "The conference had disclosed that these nations that participated in fighting the war are not only vitally interested in the peace, but can make a valuable contribution to the drafting of the treaties.

"It is now the duty of the Council of Foreign Ministers to try to reconcile our differences. Such reconciliation necessarily means disappointment for some and probably for all, but we must exercise self-restraint to maintain our common unity and bring peace to a war-weary world.

"Before we adjourn I want to assure you that as a member of the Council of Foreign Ministers I will sympathetically examine every recommendation which had been adopted by this conference."

Mr. Byrnes moved two resolutions, one thanking the General Secretariat and interpreters for their work and the other thanking M. Georges Bidault and the French Government for their hospitality. The resolutions were loudly applauded.

Democratic Peace

Mr. Molotov, the next speaker, supported Mr. Byrnes's resolutions. "Now when we are labouring to establish peace," he continued, "the Soviet Union considers it to be its duty to continue the fight to achieve the objectives which we strove to achieve in war. The Soviet Union will continue to do all in the power with full vigour and consistency that it considers is essential for the establishment of a democratic peace."

Mr. Bevin, adding his support to Mr. Byrnes's resolutions, said: "I will not enter into the difficulties of the conference, except to say this one last word. It has been said the seeds of every great war has been sown in the settlement of the previous war. But it is equally true that the seeds of permanent peace can be sown at the end of a great war. Every decision I have to take, and I hope every decision that others have to take, will be in recognition that if we take a wrong decision, or push our own point of view too far, it is not this generation that has to pay for it, is is generations yet unborn."—Reuter.

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Sequel To Fantastic Voyage

New York, Oct. 15.

Captain Franc Henley Haas pleaded guilty in federal court today to a three-count indictment charging he attempted to smuggle three alien women into the United States.

He was given a suspended sentence and placed on probation for one year.

The prosecution said the captian shipped out of San Francisco aboard the "Ada Rehan" last year for a two week voyage but the orders were changed and the vessel touched Far Eastern, European and Near Eastern ports in a fabulous 18-month cruise during which three native women joined the ship at Iran and lived in the crews quarters enroute to New York.

Defense counsel said Haas had a fine war record and participated in the Leyte landings where he was wounded.—Associated Press.

Batavia, Oct. 15.

Holland's only aircraft carrier, the Karel Doorman, strengthened the Dutch position in Batavia with her arrival here. The Doorman was formerly the British aircraft carrier, HMS Nairana.—Associated Press.

Rabies In H.K.

A fortnight ago a 17-year-old Chinese youth was bitten by a dog in Queen's Road and died from rabies.

The lad had not received anti-rabic treatment after being bitten and the Medical Authorities point to this case as a vivid illustration for the need of the general public taking all precautions against rabies.

The public is reminded that dogs must be muzzled or put on a lead when outdoors and no dog should be allowed to stray, or be moved from the mainland to Hong Kong, or vice versa, without written permission from the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon.

Persons bitten by dogs should report at once to the nearest police station or to the nearest Health Officer. They will be given anti-rabic treatment free of charge. A dog that has bitten anybody should be handed over to the Health Department.

The Mails

The Postmaster-General yesterday disclosed that, with the exception of two bags dated October 4th, and one bag for October 5th, all London air mail has now been received in Hong Kong up to October 5th.

Mails are also complete from the following places:—New York, Oct. 3rd., Montreal, Oct. 3rd., Calcutta, Oct. 10th, Colombo, Oct. 6th, Cairo, Oct. 5th, Johannesburg, Oct. 4th, Rangoon, Oct. 11th.

Surface mails from London dated July 20th. and September 11th. have also been received, but sea mails between those two dates are still outstanding, although can be expected in the near future.

J. P. ELECTION

As a result of the election by the Unofficial Justices of the Peace which was held on 4th, October, Mr. Maurice Murray Watson was nominated by 46 votes to 21 for appointment to a seat on the Legislative Council, and in accordance with the Royal Instructions, his name was submitted by His Excellency the Governor to the Secretary of State for the Colonies for approval of the appointment.

Instructions have now been received from His Majesty, through the Secretary of State, to appoint Mr. Watson to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council and he has been so appointed with effect from the 16th. October, 1946.

Portuguese "Jap. Spy"

Lawrence Oswald Senna, 44-year-old Portuguese, born of a Chinese mother in Shanghai, was sentenced to life imprisonment by the Szechuen High Court at Chungking on Tuesday for espionage in China during the war by working as a Japanese secret agent, says Central News.

Senna was arrested in Kunming after the Japanese surrender. He was sent by a Japanese agent in Macao to Kweilin after Pearl Harbour to spy on Allied military movements in Free China. He relayed information obtained to Macao from Kweilin from time to time.

When Kweilin fell to the Japanese, Senna went to Kunming and engaged in further spying there for the Japanese agent in Macao.

The High Court today also ordered confiscation of Senna's property in China but ordered a certain portion to be set aside for the upkeep of Senna's dependents.

He is the first foreigner to be tried and found guilty of espionage in China.—Central News.

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You'll Soon Be Able To 'Phone London

(By Margaret Bradbury)

In a few months' time Hong Kong's public may be able to pick up any telephone in the Colony and book a call through to Britain, America, Manila, Shanghai or Chungking.

The special equipment necessary for this telephone communication has been ordered by Cable and Wireless in London and is due here at the end of this year.

Only a few weeks will be required for the setting up of the machinery by Cable and Wireless technicians in Hong Kong, as plans have been made for some time now and depend only on delivery from the manufacturers.

Just before the European war, Hong Kong had phone connections with Manila and Chungking and preparations were being made for a link-up between Hong Kong and London. But owing to strict security measures the service had to be postponed. During the occupation the Japanese removed all the new machinery—which has not yet been traced—as well as destroying a great deal of valuable telephone material.

Mr. W. J. Knight, manager of Cable and Wireless in Hong Kong told me yesterday: "The idea is now to link the Colony with as many places as we can and as soon as we can. When the material arrives from England we shall arrange straightaway for direct connection with Shanghai and Chungking. Connection with England will probably be made via Ceylon and connection with America through Manila. Experience has shown that it is often better to use telephone relays than direct circuits."

Secrecy Gear

Mr. Knight said that a great deal of experiment had been carried out on overseas telephone communication during the last few years and Hong Kong intended to carry out her own trials whenever possible.

Apart from the terminal equipment ordered for the Colony there is also secrecy gear which makes speech unintelligible for picking up by ordinary radio sets and ensures secrecy to the users of the telephone channel.

No notification of overseas telephone rates has been made yet but it is likely that the specified all-Empire rates at $1 per minute for a three-minute call will also apply to Hong Kong. These rates were standardised last year for Empire linking, but the International Telegraph Regulations agreement will probably apply to telephone communication outside the Empire.

Great Boon

The introduction of overseas telephone communications will be a great boon to many trading firms here who are often hampered by not being in direct contact with either their head office or sub-offices. Trading firms particularly will be interested in this new development.

Officials here hazard that when the overseas service is started the biggest demands will be between Hong Kong and Manila on one side and Hong Kong and London on the other.

CORRESPONDENCE

Fee Of $5

Sir,—Aliens desirous of prolonging their stay in Hong Kong have to pay a fee of $5.— Could you please tell me the reason why?

I know of a pre-war resident of Hong Kong who came to Hong Kong from Macao recently on a visit, with a Visa from the British Consul there. Not being able to leave the Colony within the stipulated time period allowed for stay here, the said party applied to the Immigration Office for an extension which was granted but not before the "beneficiary" had to pay in to the Government Treasury a fee of $5.—

CURIOUS.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Mr. and Mrs. K. Bates, Mr. A. D. Malcolm, Mr. A. E. Knipp, Mrs. A. H. B. Coombes and Mrs. G. A. Weller are among new arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel. Mr. and Mrs. Williamson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Davidson, Mr. K. A. Munro and Mr. J. Macleod have left the hotel.

The St. Stephen's Girls' College Alumnae Association will be holding an At Home in honour of Miss E. S. Atkins on her return to Hong Kong at the Kwok Siu Lau Hall of the school on Saturday, 19th October, at 3 p.m. All past students and former staff members are invited to be present.

POLICE PUNCTURE PYTHON

Central Police Station was enlivened yesterday morning when it became known that a large sized python, which had been shot around the Peak area the evening before, was on view in the D.C.I.'s office.

The python, which had been shot, measured 11½ feet in length, 15 inches in circumference and weighed about 40 catties.

The Police were informed of the presence of the python on the Peak by a member of the R.A.F. Two Chinese policemen were sent and on their locating the snake, they ended its existence with a couple of well directed shots.

Disposal of the carcase has not yet been decided upon, but the skin may be preserved and kept as a memento.

C-IN-C, BPF

Yesterday morning, the aircraft-carrier Venerable fired a salute to the flag of the Commander-in-Chief, British Pacific Fleet (Vice-Admiral Sir Denis Boyd) on behalf of Rear-Admiral Aircraft-carriers (Rear-Admiral A. R. M. Bridge, C.B.E.), marking the first occasion his command had been in port at the same time as the C.-in-C., B.P.F. The salute was returned by H.M.S. Belfast.

MAJOR-GEN. DEMMING

The B. O. A. C. flying-boat from Singapore, bringing Major General R. S. S. Demming, K.B.E., C.B.E., Principal Administrative Officer, South-east Asia Command on a tour of inspection of military establishments in Hong Kong arrived yesterday afternoon but owing to the heavy fog did not land and turned back to Haiphong.

Assaults On Police Not Encouraged!

"We do not encourage assaults on the Police," remarked Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy yesterday, addressing John Pettingrew Ainsbury of the ship "Birchol."

Ainsbury was charged on four counts: (1) malicious damage to property at No. 22 Connaught Road Central, 2nd floor; (2) Assaulting members of the Police Force in the execution of their duty; (3) Disorderly and abusive behaviour at No. 22 Connaught Road Central and (4) Disorderly and abusive behaviour at the Central Police Station.

Inspector Sell conducted the Prosecution.

Li Wai Mui, tenant of No. 22 Connaught Road Central, 2nd floor, said that she was in the front cubicle conversing at about 3 a.m. when she was startled by thumping on the door and the mutterings of a person who sounded as though he was drunk. The individual continued hammering at the door and eventually broke the glass panels. She telephoned the Police Station, blew a Police whistle and then went up to the 3rd floor for safety by way of the fire escape on the verandah.

Inspector Kinloch said he went to No. 22 Connaught Road Central with members of the Emergency Squad. On arrival, he proceeded up the stairway with two men. The stairway was dark and he flashed on his torch when about half way up. They saw accused, who was not wearing any jacket, shirt or shoes, but only a pair of trousers and socks. As the Police approached, defendant took off his belt and began lashing out.

It was with great difficulty that they managed to get him up to the landing. His shoes, jacket and shirt were found in a litter of broken glass. Defendant used extremely abusive language and while in the Police Van on the way to the Station, struck a member of the Emergency Unit with his fists. At the Station, defendant continued to use abusive language and refused to give his name. The people living on the 2nd floor of No. 22 Connaught Road Central were highly respectable, concluded Inspector Kinloch.

R. Mullock, E.F.G. da Silva and D. Barradas, of the Emergency Unit, testified regarding the incidents.

Firing Squibs

Accused made a statement from the Dock in which he said he ran up the staircase because someone was firing squibs. He could not remember having struck at the Police. He concluded by saying that the whole trouble started over a lost fountain pen and a watch of sentimental value for which he had hunted all over the Colony.

Accused was convicted on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd charges, but acquitted on the 4th. On the first charge he was fined $30 or 14 days and on the 2nd and 3rd charges, $250 or one month. Accused said he had no money to pay the fines.

Trans-Ocean "V-2" Research

Washington, Oct. 16.

Army rocket research workers are aiming at a 200 miles altitude mark as a step toward guided missiles approaching transoceanic range.

Ordnance made this comment to a reporter in a discussion on Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson's statement last week that a rocket range far exceeding the best the Germans could turn out is a "probability in a matter of months."

The experts disclaimed knowledge of what specific development Mr. Patterson might have had in mind.—Associated Press.

Turkey Drafts New Note

Istanbul, Oct. 16.

Turkey's reply to the second Soviet note demanding a common defence of the Dardanelles Straits will probably be dispatched either on Thursday night or Friday.

The final draft of the note is to be reviewed at a full meeting of the Turkish Cabinet tomorrow.

Observers predict that it would be identical in "depth and spirit" with the first Turkish reply, which flatly rejected the Russian demands on the Straits and the proposal that the waterway should be governed solely by Black Sea Powers.

The United States Ambassador, Edwin C. Wilson, had been in contact with the Turkish Foreign Office since his return on Saturday from his European vacation.

The impression is growing that Turkey will reject any suggestion that she should hold direct conversations with Russia, preliminary to any formal conference of the various powers to revise the Montreux Convention.—Associated Press.

FOOD, FUEL COSTS

The Food and Fuel Costs for the Week Ending Oct. 12th, released by the Labour Officer, were:—

	catties.	
Rice, Flour and Peas	7.2	$4.7100
Vegetable	1.9	1.5390
Salt Cabbage	.2	.3280
Oil	.27	1.6660
Tea	.2	.9080
Salt Fish	.3	.6880
Fish	.4	1.1000
Pork	.3	1.1670
Firewood	10.0	1.5000
Beancurd, 14 pcs.		.700
Total		$14.5060

Legislative Council Meeting

At a Legislative Council meeting to be held this afternoon, the Attorney General will present the report of the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Stamp Ordinance, 1921," and to move that the Bill as amended by the Select Committee and published in the Gazette Extraordinary of 16th October, 1946, be substituted for the Bill as read a Second time.

The Attorney General will move the First reading of:—A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend temporarily the Pawnbrokers Ordinance, 1930," and the Second and Third readings of:—

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Factories and Workshops Ordinance, 1937."

A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance, 1933."

The Attorney General will move the Committee stage and the Third reading of:—A Bill intituled "An Ordinance to amend the Stamp Ordinance, 1921."

It is provided by the Pawnbrokers Ordinance, 1930, that articles pawned are redeemable within eight months from the date of the loan in the case of goods pawned in the Island of Hong Kong, Kowloon or New Kowloon, and within twelve months in any part of the New Territories other than New Kowloon.

Representations have been made on behalf of pawnbrokers that they are unable to continue in business owing to financial difficulties, caused by the Japanese occupation. It is considered that this new measure which reduces the above-mentioned periods of eight and twelve months to four and six respectively and thereby releases capital more quickly, will enable pawnbrokers to carry on business. This seems preferable to permitting the increase in rates of interest originally requested.

It is intended that the measure should be a temporary one ceasing to have effect from the end of October, 1947, unless continued by the Governor in Council.

Money Mart

Chinese National Currency continued its slow upward climb to recovery yesterday, gaining a few points on the previous day, and closing at 97 cents for futures and $1.18 for spot (for CN$1,000).

Gold opened at $302 a tael, fell to $299 but immediately recovered, and closed at $304.

U.S. dollars were unchanged at $4.46. Sterling suffered a rather heavy drop to $15.20, but Australian pounds were unchanged at $12.55.

S'hai Exchange

Shanghai, Oct. 16.

Closing quotations were:—

	Buying CN$	*Selling* CN$
Gold per ounce	210,000	220,000
Hong Kong Dollar	900	920

—Associated Press.

CNRRA RICE CASE

The number of defendants in the CNRRA Rice Case (originally 33 on bail running into tens of thousands of dollars) dwindled down yesterday to just three when the Magistrate, Mr. W. H. Latimer, discharged five of the remaining eight defendants, holding that the case against them on charges of receiving stolen CNRRA rice had not been proved.

Three of the five rice shop owners discharged were defended by Mr. M. A. da Silva, and the other two by Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios and Mr. Y. K. Kan. The Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro and Mr. Brook Bernacchi, instructed by Mr. A. el Arculli, are conducting the case for the prosecution on behalf of CNRRA.

The three remaining defendants, one of them defended by Mr. Peter H. Sin and the other two without legal representation, were remanded until Monday when they will go into the witness-box in their own defence. They are accused of having aided and abetted in the larceny of 4,000 bags of CNRRA rice, part of a cargo imported from America, from a junk in Yaumati Typhoon Shelter on May 31 or June 1.

WIVES' PRIORITY

Latest additions to the Wives' Priority List are:—11A—Sophie N. Michelmore; 84G—Constance May Roberts; 151A—Gwyn Cicely Warren; 163B—May Davidge; 199B—Natalie Davis; 278A—Doreen Jones; 273K—Isobel M. D. Macdonald.

Cable And Wireless Bill Passed

London, Oct. 15.

The House of Lords today gave a third reading and passed the bill, putting Cable and Wireless under public ownership. The bill now awaits formal Royal assent.

Lord Altrincham, Conservative, asked for a statement on the nature of the organisation and clarification of the domestic and Commonwealth sides of the matter. He expressed strong approval to transfer to the Post Office and suggested setting up a corporation.

Viscount Addison, leader of the House, said that he could not make any definite statement today.

Lord Teviot, Liberal, asked if the Government were satisfied if the efficiency or organisation was not likely to be detrimentally interfered with and whether the Government was sure that foreign Governments would give the same confidence to this business when it was run by the Government. He hardly thought so.

Lord Reith, who has just been appointed permanent chairman of the Commonwealth Communications Council, said that he would never have been a party to the scheme he submitted if it had in any way lessened efficiency.

Viscount Cranborne, leader of the opposition, said that the impression he had got when at the Dominions Office was that the existing system could not continue and a new setup was inevitable.—Reuter.

Indonesia Hopes Of Peace At Last

Batavia, Oct. 15.

The Dutch Commission-General, sent out from Holland to negotiate with the Indonesian leaders, hopes to reach a "basic" agreement with them on the future status of Indonesia by the end of next month, it was officially announced here today.

The commander of the Indonesian "Army of the Republic," General Soedirman, last night broadcast the news of the truce to the Indonesian people and issued orders that everything be done to prevent further fighting.

The truce clauses, providing for the "stabilisation of the ratio of Allied and Indonesian forces" meant that the total number of Dutch forces in the Netherlands East Indies, after November 30 would not exceed the present combined Dutch and British forces, provided that the truce was not violated, the statement said.

"A general demobilisation by both sides, as specified in the truce, will obviously depend on the progress of political negotiations."

Some two hundred leaders and members of irregular Indonesian fighting organisations along the East coast of Sumatra have been arrested for not obeying the orders of the official Indonesian leaders, a high Republican spokesman said today.

A British plane today took Mohammed Roem, Indonesian Minister of the Interior, and Air-Commodore Socriadarma, Indonesian member of the joint truce commission, to Jogjakarta, where they are to report to Dr. Soekarno, President of the Republic, on the truce agreement.

They are expected to invite General Soedirman, Commander-in-Chief of the Indonesian National Army, and Vice-Admiral Nasir of the Indonesian Navy, to come to Batavia and take part in the commission's activities.—Reuter.

Superforts' World Tour Problems

Washington, Oct. 16.

The U.S. Army's plan to send a fleet of Superfortresses around the world will be laid before the State Department within 10 days.

The presentation of the proposal will confront the State Department with a knotty decision as to whether the disturbed state of world affairs and the interests of American foreign policy make the flight feasible from the political viewpoint.

This may bring to a fairly sharp issue the question of what constitutes foreign policy.

The final decision will be made by President Truman and Mr. Byrnes.

Meanwhile, State Department officials withhold commitment.

The War Department plan, as tentatively drafted, calls for a world flight of between eight and 24 Superforts. The B-29's had the leading role in the blitz of Japan, but saw no action in Europe. Consequently, they are not well known to Europeans, who watched the smaller Flying Fortresses and Liberators attack Germany.

Russia

State Department officials appear to be concerned about the possibility of overdoing the "firmness" policy towards Russia, insofar as making a show of American strength is involved. As one explained, if a flight had been set up before the war, no question would have been raised. At present, it cannot be considered apart from the diplomatic conflict between the United States and the USSR. Tentative thinking of State Department policy makers has been along the line that the flight could be carried off successfully with a minimum of international disturbance, if the technical aspects—such as fueling, speed, etc.—could be stressed and political implications minimised.

Many diplomatic questions were injected by Air Secretary Symington when he said that the flight would be like the American fleet voyages of other days and that the Air Forces have an important role to perform in carrying out American foreign policy. Persons familiar with Air Force leaders interpreted Symington's remarks as meaning simply that the Air Force wants to be counted in when there is a job to be done anywhere. But diplomatic authorities said that his remarks might be given a different construction abroad.—Associated Press.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

Outward Mails

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcels Posts close 30 minutes earlier than the time stated below:—

THURSDAY, OCT. 17

Macao, Tsinshan and Shekki (Kwong Fook Cheung) 10 a.m.

Haiphong (Masbate) 10 a.m.

Swatow and Saigon (Docteur Roux) 10 p.m.

Shanghai (Hermund) 3 p.m.

Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Colombo, Sourabaya, Sydney and Auckland (B.O.A.C. Plane) Kowloon C.P.O. (Reg.) 2 p.m. (Ord.) 2.30 p.m., G.P.O. (Reg.) 2.30 p.m. (Ord.) 3 p.m.

Airmail for Canton, Amoy, Foochow and Shanghai (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.

Kongmoon (Fook Hoi) 4 p.m.

Canton (By Train) 4 p.m.

SIAM TO RETURN PROVINCES

Bangkok, Oct. 15.

The Siamese Parliament today endorsed the Government's decision to return the four disputed provinces to France by 91 votes to 29.

The provinces are Battambang, Bashac, parts of Siemrap in Cambodia and also the province west of the Mekong River.

One of the French proposals was that Siam should declare null and void the Tokyo Treaty of 1941 but the Treaty will not cover this. Instead, the territories will be transferred as a basis for further negotiation.

It is understood that the French are amenable to this.

A Government spokesman at this morning's Parliament session stressed that the return of the territories was inevitable and was based on the advice of the big powers.—Reuter.

Pleasure Cruise Ends

Berwick-On-Tweed, Oct. 15.

The small motor ketch "Viking," bound for Spain and the Mediterranean on a pleasure cruise, ran aground here yesterday and suffered severe damage. Her occupants, two Danes, Captain Yens Herman Hendrickson, the owner, and his companion, Fred Olan Hamalainen, both of Copenhagen, sailed from Christiansund last Tuesday with a large supply of food aboard.

A day out from port the engine broke down and adverse winds blew the boat to Berwick, where she stranded on the sandbanks at the river entrance. The local lifeboat went to her assistance.

Captain Hendrickson said he had taken the food supply along because it was not possible to take much money out of Denmark.—Associated Press.

NEW CONGRESS PRESIDENT

New Delhi, Oct. 15.

Acharya J. B. Kripalani, former General-Secretary, becomes the new President of the Indian National Congress, it was stated today after Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, former President of Congress, has announced his decision not to stand for election as President.—Reuter.

Really A "Principal Tenant Evil"

"The landlord evil really seems to be a principal tenant evil" commented Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday when Wong Shun Wah, a woman, residing at No. 45 Johnston Road, 3rd floor, was charged in a case of considerable importance to sub-tenants.

The case was the first of its kind to be brought before the Courts and Mr. She, describing the offence as a serious one, said he was very glad that Inspector Moran had brought it up.

Defendant was charged with failing to keep affixed on a conspicuous part of the premises, a declaration of rent payable by her to the landlord and with failing to serve Yung Joe, one of her sub-tenants, with a notice certifying the part of the rent paid by the said Yung Joe to her.

Inspector Moran said that as a result of a complaint by Yung Joe of the Royal Naval Dockyard, he went to No. 45 Johnston Road, 3rd floor, under an order of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, accompanied by Sub-Inspector Wai. Accused was not present but a thorough inspection revealed that there was no notice posted in accordance with Article 8 of the Proclamation. Accused had spent $1,010 in placing the premises in a habitable condition. There were four cubicles and accused herself occupied the third one. The other three were rented for $64, $23 and $38 respectively. The complaint arose in consequence of accused wishing to increase the rent paid by Yung Joe by $3.

"Keep The Law"

Convicting accused, who pleaded guilty but claimed ignorance of the law, Mr. She said: "I earnestly warn you to keep the law and apportion the rents according to the scale laid down by law. You are only entitled to add 20 per cent to the rent paid to the landlord."

Inspector Moran said he had made enquiries of the landlord. Accused paid $80 a month for the premises, which was a reasonable rent.

Accused was fined $500.

Soviet Evidence Admitted

Tokyo, Oct. 15.

Justice Sir William Webb, President of the War Crimes Tribunal for the Far East, said today: "If aggression is violation of international law, one nation cannot pardon an offensive by agreement."

He was admitting evidence by which the Soviet prosecutor attempted to show that Mr. Mamoru Shigemitsu, at one time Tokyo's envoy to Britain and later Tojo's Foreign Minister, was threatening force against the Soviet Union in 1938.

The Soviet prosecutor said that in negotiations between Mr. Maxim Litvinov, then Foreign Minister of the Soviet Union, and Shigemitsu, the Japanese diplomat asserted that "Japan had rights and obligations in Manchuria to use force to make Soviet troops evacuate Manchurian territory."

The defence objected that the negotiations were concerned with a minor border incident, which was settled amicably.—Reuter.

CRASH OFF CORNWALL

London, Oct. 15.

Lieutenant G. Hoes, of the Royal Netherlands Navy, jumped clear of his single seater aircraft which sank within a few seconds after suddenly nose diving into the sea about four miles off the Cornwall coast today.

Lieutenant Hoes was spotted within 35 minutes by an amphibious rescue plane, but in landing on the sea the rescue plane damaged its under-carriage and was unable to take off again. The pilot had to run the plane on the sea surface for several miles to land the exhausted Dutch airman on the beach.

Watchers on the beach helped to carry Lieutenant Hoes to a nearby house, from which an ambulance took him to hospital. He was suffering from shock and exhaustion, but was not injured.—Reuter.

NOTICE

WAR GRAVES REGISTRATION

There may still be a number of War Graves in the Colony which have not yet been recovered by the Graves Service.

Anyone having knowledge of the whereabouts of any such graves—i.e. of Service personnel who died in the fighting in 1941 or, subsequently, during the Japanese occupation—is requested to communicate with D.A.D. GRAVES REGISTRATION, Room 18, 3rd floor, Post Office Building. (Tel. 24190)

The Union Waterboat Company, Limited

Notice is hereby given that the Thirty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of the Company, will be held at the Offices of Messrs Dodwell & Co., Ltd., 3rd floor, Hongkong Bank Building, on Monday, the 4th November 1946, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statements of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1941 and for the period 1st January 1942 to 30th November 1945.

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NOTICE

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P. S. SELWYN-CLARKE,
Registrar General of Births & Deaths.

NOTICE TO MARINERS No. 60 of 1946.

HONG KONG WATERS—VICTORIA HARBOUR

LAYING OF CROSS HARBOUR CABLE—ESTABLISHMENT OF CABLE RESERVE

Position. Lat. 22° 17' 41" N. Long. 114° 11' [illegible] 05E (approx.)

Details. A cable ground is established between the Island of Hong Kong (North Point) at the Eastern coast of the Kowloon Peninsula (Hung Hom).

The Reserve lies 450 feet either side of a line drawn 335-1/3 degrees from the above position to the mainland.

Remarks. (1) No vessel of any description shall anchor within the limits of this Reserve.

(2) A new electric cross harbour cable will be laid on Sunday the 20th. October, 1946, and all vessels must keep well clear of the vessel employed in laying the cable which will display the signals prescribed for a vessel employed in laying or picking up a telegraph cable.

Former Notices. Notices to Mariners No. 33/45 of December, 4th, 1945 and No. 56/46 of September [illegible] 1946 [illegible] hereby cancelled.

Charts Affected. Nos. 3279, E. 1. 10, 318 and 1459.

Authority. Harbour Office, Hong Kong.

J. JOLLY,
Harbour Master &c.

Harbour Department,
Hong Kong, 14th October, 1946.

NOTICE TO MARINERS No. 61 of 1946.

HONG KONG WATERS—VICTORIA HARBOUR

ROCK MARKING BUOY

Position. 124° distant 6.95 cables from 231 summit on Stonecutters Island.

Details. A Barrel shaped Buoy in black and white chequers has been laid in the above position.

Remarks. This buoy marks the rockdrying 2 feet off White Point. All craft should pass to the Southward.

Charts Affected. 3280. E.1.
Authority. Naval Authorities.

J. JOLLY,
Harbour Master &c.

Harbour Department,
Hong Kong. 14th October, 1946.

NOTICE TO MARINERS No. 62 of 1946.

HONG KONG WATERS—VICTORIA HARBOUR

SUBMERGED OBSTRUCTION

Position. 018° distant 5.0 cables from Kellet Island Flag Staff.

Details. A submerged obstruction is reported to be within half a cable of the above position.

Remarks. There is a depth of 22 feet over the obstruction at L.W.S.T.

Charts Affected. 3279, 1459, E. 1.

Authority. Naval Authorities.

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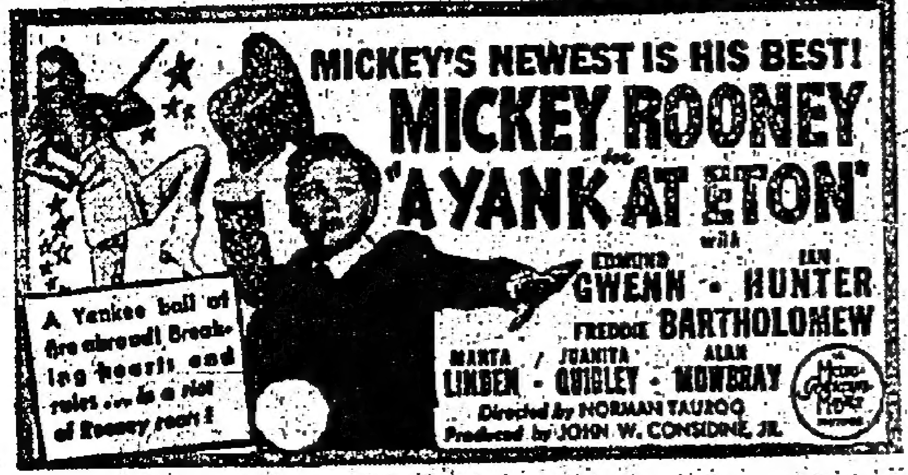

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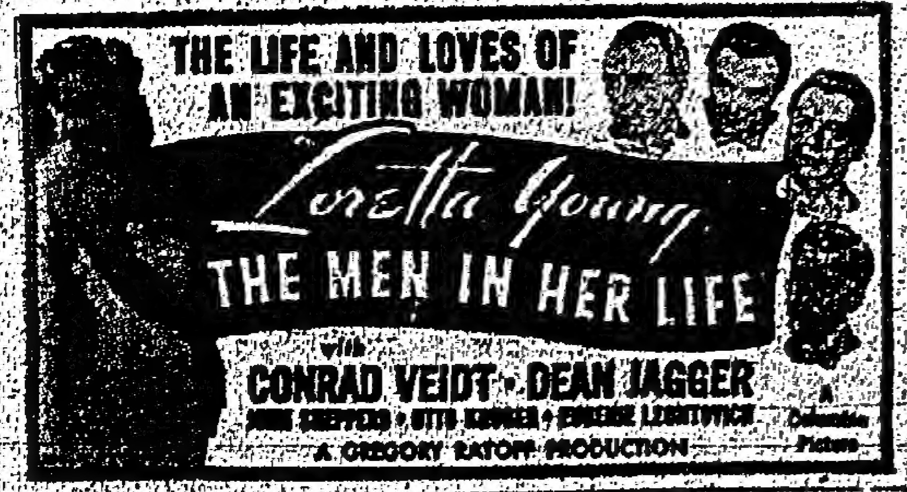

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Secret Protocol Story Denied

(By Reuters Diplomatic Correspondent)

London, Oct. 15.

The existence of a secret protocol to the Potsdam Agreement covering the situation in China, denied last night by the State Department in Washington, was today categorically repudiated by the spokesman of the Foreign Office.

The story is reliably considered to be the echo of a secret agreement on China which was concluded by the Big Three powers at the Yalta Conference and subsequently published. The exceptional move at Yalta was taken to meet the circumstances caused by the Soviet decision to declare war on Japan. There was no comparable reason for a secret agreement at the time of Potsdam.

Well-informed Chinese quarters in London today admitted this story was most improbable, but emphasised that if true, the agreement would meet with strong disapproval from the Chinese Government.

Diplomatic observers here pointed out that details of the alleged pact are essentially unconvincing. The pact is, for instance, said to have provided for the severance of Outer Mongolia from China. In the Yalta agreement, on the other hand, the Big Three powers stated that the status in Outer Mongolia at that time under nominal Chinese suzerainty, was to remain unchanged.

The change to independence was freely negotiated by the Chinese Government in the Sino-Soviet pact of August, 1945, which provided that a plebiscite should be held in Outer Mongolia. Subsequently, the Chinese Government recognised the independence of this province as the Mongolian People's Republic.

"The Potsdam secret agreement" is also said to have provided for the partition of Korea. In fact, the future of Korea was discussed by the Big Three powers in Moscow in December, 1945, and the results of these negotiations were published at the time. The Big Three then agreed to set up a provisional Government for Korea drawn from both the Soviet and United States occupation zones, which should govern under Big Four trusteeship for a period of five years. Though the Soviet Union and the United States have so far failed to agree on the composition of the provisional Government, there is clearly no intention on either side that Korea should be partitioned.

Belied By Facts

Similarly, the suggestion that the Chinese Government should be forced to accept a quota of Communists, alleged to have been part of the secret agreement, is belied by facts. Though General George Marshall, of the United States, has consistently tried to mediate between the Chinese Government and the Communist forces, no truce, much less coalition Government, has proved possible, and there is certainly no indication, as has been suggested, that the United States and Britain agreed to allow "the Soviet Union freedom to act on her own responsibility" if a coalition were not obtained. On the contrary, all indications are that the Soviet Union and the United States are in complete disagreement regarding the situation in China.

And, in any case, observers in London consider it nothing short of absurd to suppose that the Soviet Government would require approval from the West before deciding to act on "its own responsibility."—Reuter.

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SUDDEN DEATH OF MAHARAJAH

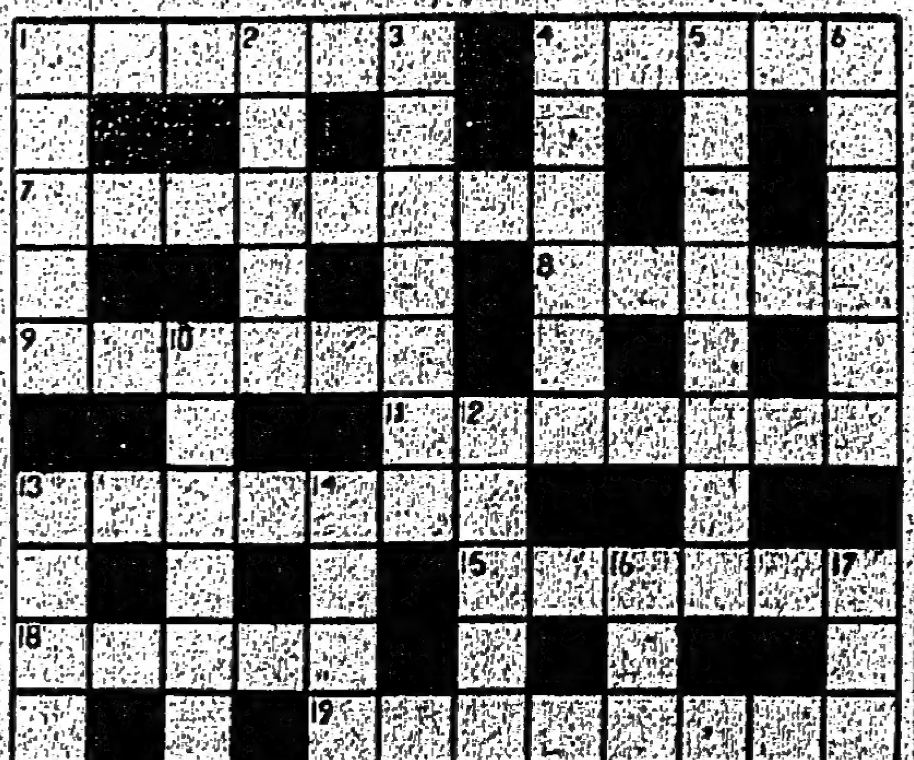
Lisbon, Oct. 16.

The Maharajah of Chrota-Udepur died suddenly in a Lisbon Hotel yesterday, aged 40.

Maharajah Shri Natwarsinhji Fatehsinhji was the ruler of 160,000 Indians in his Gujarat state, and was a member of the Indian Chamber of Princes in his own right.

The Maharajah had intended to leave Lisbon yesterday for Spain.—Associated Press.

A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE



Across

1. Calm.
4. Boasts.
7. Espy.
8. Dominion.
9. Item of confectionery.
11. Financially stable.
13. Shine.
15. Separated.
18. Wide expanse.
19. Splendour.
20. Elude.
21. Kind of hammer.

Down

1. Chaplain.
2. Beverage.
3. Varied.
4. Cask.
5. Obvious.
6. Highest point.
10. Hung about.
12. Parentless children.
13. [illegible] person.
14. Commission.
16. Crest.
17. Mournful refrain.

Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS.—1. Chic; 4. Strains; 8. Heir; 9. Plea; 10. Reserve; 11. Stem; 12. Term; 14. Notable; 17. Irish; 19. Spree; 22. Swerved; 26. Hear; 27. Fair; 28. Fervour; 29. Akin; 30. Sets; 31. Adorned; 32. Eggs.

DOWN.—2. Halter; 3. Chasms; 4. Siren; 5. Tremor; 6. Arena; 7. Novel; 12. Tips; 13. Ripe; 15. Bore; 16. Ewer; 18. Refuse; 20. Phrase; 21. Easing; 23. Wield; 24. Rover; 25. Dared.

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Prices Shoot Up In America

New York, Oct. 16.

Grain, cotton and security prices followed meat upward in a spiral on Tuesday as price controls on meat were lifted by presidential action.

Wheat, maize and oats were all sharply higher on the Chicago Board of Trade, while in New York, securities and cotton advanced.

Lard jumped 11.7 cents a pound in Chicago over Monday's closing price of 18.3 pence. The prices of eggs dropped as the demand for meat substitute slackened.

Clinton Anderson, Secretary of Agriculture, in Washington appealed to farmers to speed their cattle to markets to prevent depletion of grazing facilities. He estimated there would be 44,800,000 head of beef cattle in America on Jan. 1, 1947, which is an all-time high level.

Heavy speculative buying pushed stock market prices one to six dollars a share higher on the New York stock exchange as investors rushed to share in greater industrial profits expected to result from the decontrol of business.

Forenoon activity was so great that the highspeed market reporting machinery fell behind actual transactions in general buying, lifting prices of steel, railway, motorcar, utility, metals, chemical, rubber and other industrial shares.

Meat packing company shares made the largest gains.

New York cotton prices turned irregular after profit taking sales following an early rise.

New Orleans cotton opened higher.—Associated Press.

STRAITS SHIP ORDER

Singapore, Oct. 15.

Singapore's coastal and inter-Island trade will be seriously affected by the shipping order issued here which comes into force on October 23.

This reinforces the pre-war Merchant Shipping Ordinance, requiring ships of 75 tons and under to carry a qualified skipper and a qualified engineer.

Local traders, who estimate that about 600 ships will be affected by the order, say that there are insufficient qualified men available and they demand the highest salaries.

The ordinance also requires ships above 75 tons to be manned by a British skipper, mate and engineer, whom traders say are difficult to obtain and expensive.

Traders do not object to the order but seek postponement of its enforcement for some months.—Reuter.

Britain And Bretton Woods

London, Oct. 15.

Mr. Hugh Dalton, Chancellor of the Exchequer, was asked in the House of Commons today about the maximum amount the United Kingdom could be called on to lend under the Bretton Woods scheme, whether in the form of contribution to the capital of the International Monetary Fund and of the International Bank for reconstruction and development, or as a result of member countries using quotas for the purchase of sterling.

He answered that Britain's contribution was £325,000,000 to each but the Bank can only call for £65,000,000 unless the money is needed for guarantee. Other countries cannot get more sterling from the Fund than what the United Kingdom has put there by means of her subscriptions.

"We have no need at present to make any further arrangements for overseas borrowing," said Mr. Dalton, in a written reply. He had been asked if it was still the United Kingdom Government's policy that Britain should not avail itself of the facilities of the International Monetary Fund and International Bank.—Reuter.

International Economy

Boston, Oct. 16.

Appealing for a constructive international economic policy, the Chairman of the Chase National Bank stated yesterday that the essential elements of such a policy include the reduction of trade barriers, stabilisation of foreign exchange, removal of exchange control on current accounts and the formation of beneficial foreign lending policies.

The adoption of the British credit by the United States Congress provides the environment within which an international monetary fund, if properly managed, can operate successfully.

The benefits of exchange stability and the removal of exchange controls will be nullified unless trade barriers are substantially reduced.—Reuter.

China Reparation Hopes

Shanghai, Oct. 14.

China hopes to obtain about 4,000,000 tons of machinery and equipment from Japan in the form of reparations, it is learned.

This machinery, which will go a long way towards re-establishing China's crippled heavy industries, will be stripped from Japan's arms, aircraft, chemical and other factories in accordance with the Allied plan for the de-militarisation of the country.

According to Mr. Wu Fan-jung, member of the Chinese delegation to the Allied Control Council in Japan, no final allotment of Japanese industrial equipment has yet been made. However, he thinks that China, in view of the tremendous war damage she suffered, should receive at least 30 per cent of the estimated total of 13,000,000 tons available for distribution.—Reuter.

Chicago, Oct. 16.

Many publishers report they have been forced to ration advertising space because of newsprint shortage. Rate increases are prevalent.—Associated Press.

MONEY TALKS

Paris, Oct. 15.

Talks are now going on between France and Italy to unfreeze Italian capital and pave the way for the renewal of trade.

The main object is to encourage Italian unemployed workers to work in France. France is prepared to unfreeze Italian capital in France if this is used to allow these Italian workers to send money to their families in Italy.—Reuter.

BIG HAUL

Prague, Oct. 15.

A collection of over 500 rare coins, worth about £450,000 was found during a search of the villa of the former German textile manufacturer, Karl Wolfrum, at Usti on the Elbe in Bohemia, it was reported today.

Several valuable printings by old masters were discovered rolled into window blinds.—Reuter.

PANDA FOR N.Y.

Shanghai, Oct. 16.

A Baby panda, destined for the New York Zoo, arrived by plane from Chengtu after an overnight stay in Victory House in Chungking, where a special attendant fed it milk and bamboo shoots.

The animal will leave soon by ship for the United States, as a gift from China. It will be the eighth sent abroad.—Associated Press.

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SEQUEL TO CITY GUN DUEL

Committal proceedings against Wong Kai Lap and Wong Chun Wah, alleged to have been concerned in an armed robbery and subsequent gun battle in the heart of the City on Sept. 30, were commenced before Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

Wong Lap, who was originally accused, was discharged owing to the lack of evidence.

Inspector White is conducting the prosecution.

Wong Wing Kit, Manager of the Tradewinds Company Limited said that on Sept. 30, at about 11.40 a.m. he was seated in his private office at Room 333 Wang Hing Building, 3rd floor, with his assistant manager, Wong Sun Po. First and third accused entered the office, preceded by Pong Sik Yiu, a friend of witness, and the office boy, Chiu Fong. First accused had a gun pointed at their backs and warned witness not to make a noise. He then ordered third accused to search all present, except the office boy. Third accused took from witness a Mido watch and $12, in cash. He was then told by first accused to open the safe. About $3,300 were taken therefrom.

As he left the office, first accused told witness that he could recognize him and warned him not to raise the alarm or make any report to the Police. As soon as first and third accused left, witness raised the alarm. First accused threatened him by pointing the pistol at him. A chase continued along Queen's Road, down Pedder Street and then into Des Voeux Road Central. Seven or eight policemen joined in. First accused ran up the lane at the back of Jardine's building, but before doing so, turned and pointed his pistol at witness. Police officers continued the chase and witness next saw accused under arrest in Pedder Street.

Wong Sun Po gave corroborative evidence, after which hearing was adjourned till Oct. 23 at 2.30 p.m.

HOTEL STRIKE OVER

London, Oct. 15.

The eight-day strike of London hotels is over. By a settlement reached tonight, representatives of the hotels and restaurants involved agreed to full recognition of the National Union of General and Municipal Workers, who undertook to secure the resumption of work forthwith.—Reuter.

Curse Of The Peking Cups

Vancouver, Oct. 16.

The mysterious disappearance of the Shanghai French millionaire banker, Henri Bar, is in the news for perhaps the last time — unless the supposed curse of the Peking cups appears again.

Henri Bar's son, Claude, has come to Vancouver to claim a $500,000 treasure that his father shipped from Shanghai. The treasure includes the cups which are said to have been stolen from the Peking Palace in the early 1900s during the fall of the Chinese Dynasty. Some have attributed a curse to them.

Henri Bar disappeared from the British freighter "Samwater" en route from Shanghai to Vancouver last Spring. At the time, the ship's officers said they believed he had fallen overboard in heavy seas, but it seems that they muttered darkly about a jinx supposedly caused by the agate cups in Bar's luggage.

They pointed to a series of mishaps which had befallen the ship on its trip from the Orient. There was bad weather; injury to a longshoreman; sudden insanity of a crew member.

Reports at the time of the elder Bar's disappearance said that he carried three jade necklaces around his neck. His son said, however, there had been no such articles in his father's collection.

Claude Bar laughed at the theory of the curse on the cups. He said he and his pretty wife of three months are not worried. They plan to either return to France or settle in America with the treasure.—Associated Press.

RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles and from 12.30 to 1.15 p.m., 7.30 to 8.30 p.m., and 9.15 to 11.00 p.m., also on 9.52 megacycles.

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12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.33 p.m.—"Romance and Rhythm."
12.47 p.m.—Coleman Hawkins and His Orchestra.
1.00 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.10 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.
1.15 p.m.—Variety.
1.40 p.m.—London Transcription Service: The British Ballet Orchestra.
7.30 p.m.—Close Down.
7.30 p.m.—Carmen Miranda and Bernardo Alberdi and Argentina Orch.
7.45 p.m.—"Picked at Random" Variety.
7.55 p.m.—Studio: Hal Lorenzo at the Piano.
7.45 p.m.—London Relay: Broadcast Message from the Secretary of State for the Colonies.
8.00 p.m.—London Relay: News.
8.15 p.m.—"Half an Hour with Cole Porter."
9.15 p.m.—Music from the Films.
9.30 p.m.—London Transcription Service: "The Adventures of Julia" No. 4, "The Mystery of Merlin."
9.45 p.m.—Albert Sandler and His Violin.
10.00 p.m.—Excerpts from Puccini's "La Boheme" Acts 3 and 4.
10.45 p.m.—Tchaikowsky — "Francesca Da Rimini" Op. 32.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

Goering Cheats Gallows

(Continued from Page 1)

A handful of witnesses in the execution chamber were still waiting for Jodl and Seyss-Inquart to be pronounced dead when the body of Goering was brought in.

Two Army chaplains stood half turned toward the three freshly painted gallows, from two of which hung the two bodies at the end of the tightly stretched ropes.

Big Bare Feet

Beyond at the far end of the room was a black canvas curtain behind which rested the remains of eight other political and military chieftains of the most terrible despotism the world has witnessed since mediaeval times.

The chaplains were reading from prayer books. The guards set the stretcher bearing Goering's body down between the first and second gallows. Goering's big bare feet stuck out from under the bottom end of an ordinary khaki coloured United States Army blanket. One blue silk pajamaed arm hung over the side.

The Colonel in charge ordered the blanket removed. As the blanket came off it revealed to the witnesses and Allied correspondents the face of a freebooting political racketeer still contorted with pain of the last agonising moments.

They covered him up quickly and this Nazi war lord who, like a character out of the days of the Borgias, had wallowed in blood and beauty, passed beyond the black canvas curtain into the black pages of history that mark the end of the Hitler era.

Secret Destination

Nuernberg, Oct. 16.

Two sealed vans sped out of Nuernberg prison under an armed escort carrying the bodies of the suicide Hermann Goering and his ten hanged satellites.

Where the bodies were taken will remain a secret, Capt. Samuel Binder of the Security Police declared emphatically. They went to nameless graves somewhere. It is a good guess that part of the journey was by plane. The trucks were protected by two jeeps filled with military police brandishing sub-machine guns. Also in the parade was a long black automobile carrying a Brigadier-General.

The convoy left at breath-taking speed, heading for Furth, where there are two airfields. Both fields were dark and the few attendants did not seem to know anything unusual going on. The convoy turned toward Erlanger where there is another airfield.

Military police threw up road blocks throughout the area, and it was impossible to trail the vans further. The trip lasted about two hours apparently. The escort left the prison at 0430 GMT. An officer in the party was back in Nuernberg at 0630 GMT.—Associated Press.

SPORTS SECTION

CESAREWITCH RESULT

Newmarket, Oct. 16.

The Cesarewitch, which was run here today, was won by Monsieur L'Amiral. Ford Transport was second and Geoffrey's Lady was third. Twenty-seven horses ran.

The betting was 33 to 1 on Monsieur L'Amiral, 100 to 7 on Ford Transport and 100 to 8 on Geoffrey's Lady. Wily was favourite at 8 to 1. The race was won by three quarters of a length. One and a half lengths separated the second and third.—Reuter.

Soccer Refs. Meet

A talk on football was given by Mr. J. MacKelvie, Vice President of the Hong Kong Football Association, at the fortnightly meeting of the Hong Kong Referees Association in the Gloucester Hotel yesterday.

Mr. MacKelvie related some amusing incidents which occurred in his career both as a footballer and an official of the Association and stressed that in his experience there were two things which any footballer should avoid:—

The first was "playing the man" instead of the ball. He had known numerous instances where a player had been hurt playing the man instead of the ball.

The other was the very common habit of players "Not playing to the whistle." He knew of many matches lost through this failing and stressed that there were times when the referee, no matter how impartial he might be, missed incidents.

SOCCER

The final game of a series between 42 Cdo. (Lt.) and H.M.S. "Armada" took place at Chatham Road on Monday. The Commandos were defeated 3—1. Play was fairly fast and extreme determination on both sides was obvious. The first goal came from Armada very early in the game through Streater. The Commando equalised by a shot from the right wing. Sgt. Murray, who came tearing in from the wing. Armada again pressed and obtained the lead through Kirk. Play then was fairly even until the Commando left-back handed in the Penalty Area.

Thompson took the spot kick and made no mistake. The game was clean and sporting, typical of the previous four matches between the two teams.

Teams:

42 Cdo. (Lt.):— Hazel; Davis, Mason McLeanen, Pitman; Coggnel; Murray, Cummer, Fowkes, Haig, McMasters.

H.M.S. "Armada":— Green; Birch, Gummand; Sargeant, Robinson, Tuck; Reed, Thompson, Kirk, Thompson, Streater.

GROUNDS RE-ALLOCATED

The Recreation Grounds committee met yesterday in the Council Chamber under the Chairmanship of the Hon. Mr. V. Ken. Most of the grounds held by clubs in pre-war time were re-allocated. The tennis courts, formerly allotted to the Nippon Club, were given to the Education Department.

The Polo ground at Boundary Street was allotted to the Army, who (by mutual arrangements) will allot certain dates for the Royal Air Force.

Lake Success, Oct. 16.

France and Mexico were reported to have joined Russia and Poland in opposing admitting Spain to the International Court of Justice on a non-member basis. An authoritative source made the disclosure as the Security Council prepared to debate the question raised by Poland on the Court's month-old request for guidance on conditions under which non-members may bring a case before the high judicial organ in the Hague.—Associated Press.

BRITISH SPORT AND THE A.A.A.

(By Harold M. Abrahams)

Track and field athletics — running, jumping, hurdling and throwing—have been practised in Britain for hundreds of years. National Championships have been held for exactly 80 years. Since the year 1880 amateur athletics have been organised by a central body, the Amateur Athletic Association. The rules under which athletic sports have been practised in Britain for three generations have been adopted in America and on the continent of Europe, and were accepted by the International Amateur Athletic Federation when that body was founded in 1912.

All amateur athletic meetings in Britain are governed by the rules of the A.A.A. Indeed any boy or man who participates in events under rules not recognised by the Association is liable to be prevented ever from competing under A.A.A. rules. He would thus be debarred from national, district, or even club championships, and possibly for ever from any international competition. If his offence were not too heinous, however, he might be reinstated and become eligible once again for all these events.

At Headquarters there are the various committees — finance, championship, publications etc. There are three district associations for the North, Midlands and South, as well as county associations. Last and most important of all, there are the athletic clubs. These clubs elect members to the various committees of the A.A.A. itself, the three districts and the counties, so that the whole basis of government is democratic.

The Amateur Athletic Association is concerned only with male athletes. Women have their own Association—the Women's Amateur Athletic Association—organised on very similar lines. There are many hundreds of clubs in Britain, for track and field athletics are extremely popular. In the winter months there is cross-country running, and in the summer season (from May till September) events are held on the track. Many of the large business houses and factories have their own sports clubs, but in the main clubs are local affairs. All the Universities have their own clubs, as do all the schools though schoolboys are encouraged to take part only in Junior events.

London Tracks

The subscription to a club is very small. In most cases the athlete pays his own travelling expenses and has to buy his shorts, vests and running shoes. If he gains his club, county or national colours he will be presented with a vest, shorts and coat bearing these colours. Also his travelling and other expenses will be paid.

In London there are cinder running tracks in many of the parks where athletes can train for a low payment. Many of the big business houses have sports grounds for their workers, but very few have cinder paths—mostly there are grass tracks. There are not so many tracks in other parts of the country as in the London area, but the situation is improving and the new town planning will make adequate provision for recreation. Most municipal authorities already provide some form of recreation ground.

There are plenty of competitions in Britain in peace-time. In normal times every school has its sports meeting. There are many inter-school and inter-county matches for schoolboys, and schoolboy championships covering the whole country. County, district and national championships for juniors (16-19 years) and seniors are also held.

The national championships, held annually at the White City stadium, have always been open to amateur athletes from all parts of the world. Each July (except, of course, during the two world wars) many champions from overseas were welcomed. Then Britain has two or sometimes three international matches, and sends representatives to the European championships and the Olympic Games. In normal times, too, many of Britain's athletes pay visits to the Continent, parts of the Empire, and, on rarer occasions, to the United States.

British Records

A quarter of a century ago, coaching was almost non-existent. Now Britain has a large team of amateur coaches who train boys in the proper methods and the improvement in performance has been very marked.

Some of Britain's national records are very high as the following figures will show:

100 yards (91.4 metres) 9.7 sec.
220 yards (201 metres) 21.2 sec.
440 yards (402 metres) 47.6 sec.
880 yards (804 metres) 1 min. 49.2 sec.
One mile (1.6 km.) 4 min. 4.4 sec.
Two miles (3.2 km.) 9 min. 3.8 sec.
Three miles (4.8 km.) 14 min. 8 sec.
120 hurdles (109.6 metres) 14.5 sec.
440 hurdles (402 metres) 53.8 sec.

	metres
High Jump 6 ft. 5 in.	(1,956)
Long Jump 24 ft. 2½ in.	(7,378)
Pole Vault 12 ft. 9½ in.	(3,899)
Weight 47lb. 8½oz.	(21,546 kgs.)
Discus 142 ft. 10½ in.	(43,547)
Hammer 172 ft. 0¾ in.	(52,431)
Javelin 202 ft. 2¾ in.	(61,637)

These are records made in Britain by athletes born in Britain. Many of her athletes have accomplished better performances when competing abroad.

Past Champions

Britain has had many world and Olympic champions in the past. Forty years ago Alfred Shrubb held every world running record from 2 miles (3.2 km.) to one hour. Sixty years ago a very great runner, W. G. George, who became a professional ran a mile (1.6 km.) in 4 min. 12¾ sec. His record made in 1886 stood for 30 years.

At the 1924 Olympic Games Britain had three victories—Eric Liddell (who lost his life in the war as a medical missionary in China) won the 400 metres, Douglas Lowe the 800 metres, and I myself was lucky enough to win the 100 metres, the only occasion on which a European athlete has won this event. Lowe repeated his success in the 800 metres at Amsterdam in 1928. Lord Burghley, President of the Amateur Athletic Association and in charge of the organisation for the 1948 Olympic Games in London, won the 400 metres hurdles. Two successes were gained at Los Angeles—the 800 metres and the 50 kilometre walk; and two successes at Berlin.

Week-End Football

The following is the soccer programme for this week:—

SATURDAY, OCT. 19, 1946

First Division

44 R.M. Commando vs. Sing Tao (Navy grd. Causeway Bay at 4.45 p.m.)
Referee:—C. P. O. Rogers.
Linesmen:— Leung Yuk-Tong & L/S Sparrow.

Navy vs. 45 Commando. (Navy grd. Causeway Bay at 3.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Lac. F. Roberts.
Linesmen:—F. A. Barretto and L/S. D. Sparrow.

Club vs. St. Joseph's (Club grd. at 4.45 p.m.)
Referee:— F. N. Bullock.
Linesmen:— P. M. Xavier and E. Lawerence.

Second Division

3 Cdo. Bde. H.Q. vs. Sing Tao. (Club grd. at 3.30 p.m.)
Referee:— Chan King Tiak.

44 R. M. Commando vs. Dockyard R.C. (St. Joseph's grd. Happy Valley at 3.30 p.m.)
Referee:—A. E. P. Guest.

C.A.S.C. vs. H.K. Chinese Cadre (St. Joseph's grd. Happy Valley at 4.45 p.m.)
Referee:—Cpl. H. Filmer.

South China vs. Jodhpurs (Navy grd. Happy Valley at 4.45 p.m.)
Referee:—D. P. Lai.

Travancore Regt. vs. Kit Cho. (Chatham Road grd. at 4.45 p.m.)
Referee:—Lai Shiu Ming.

Club vs. Police. (Navy grd. Happy Valley at 3.30 p.m.)
Referee:—N. T. Delgado.

SUNDAY, OCT. 20, 1946

First Division

C.A.S.C. vs. South China. (Club grd. at 4.45 p.m.)
Referee:— L. G. Young.
Linesmen:— Cpl. H. Filmer and D. P. Lai.

Eastern vs. Kwong Wah. (Navy grd. Causeway Bay at 3.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Capt. J. P. England.
Linesmen:—Lui Shiu Ming and F. A. Barretto.

R.A.F. vs. 1/5 Commando. (Navy grd. Causeway Bay at 4.45 p.m.)
Referee:— J. F. da Silva.
Linesmen:— Leung Yik Tong and E. Lawrence.

Second Division

42 Commando vs. Kwong Wah. (Club grd. at 3.30 p.m.)
Referee:— E. L. Strange.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 23, 1946

Navy vs. 387 Coy. R.A.S.C. (Navy grd. Causeway Bay at 3.30 p.m.)
Referee:— F. A. Barretto.

H.K. Wireless Centre vs. Signal Co. (Chatham Road at 3.30 p.m.)
Referee:— C. S. M. H. Cook.

CARDS WIN THE WORLD SERIES

St. Louis, Oct. 16.

Harry "The Cat" Breechen hurled the St. Louis Cardinals to the world baseball championship with a courageous job of relief pitching for a 4 to 3 decision over the Boston Redsox in the seventh game of the world series.

In a thrill-packed finale that dwarfed the six previous games for interest, the Cards pulled it out of the fire with an eighth inning run engineered by Enos Slaughter's daring base running.

Slaughter simply outsped the Redsox defence, scoring all the way from first base on Harry Walker's double over Johnny Pesky's head into left centre.

Few thought he had a chance to make it but he rounded third under full steam and slid under Catcher Partee with the run that meant $3,736 to each Redbird.

Score:

Boston	100 000 200	3	8	0
St. Louis	010 020 010	4	9	1

Batteries: Ferris, Dobson, Klinger, Johnson and H. Wagner; Partee; Dickson, Breechen and Garagiola, Rice.

Beautiful Game

Dickson hurled a beautiful game after giving one run in the first inning while his mates slammed Bob Ferriss from Hill in a two run fifth inning outburst.

The Cardinals tied the game in the second when Whitey Kurowski led with a double, reached third on an infield outscored on Walters and left to Ted Williams. In the fifth, the flock fell on Ferriss with four hits, putting two scores across. From the second through to the seventh inning, only two Boston players reached base.

Terry Moore made the greatest play of the series on the fifth, to spear long Pinky Higgins' smash near the left centerfield wall.

Breechen relieved Dickson in the eighth and quelled the last ditch Boston rally in the last inning, retiring the last three batters in succession with paying and winning runs already on the bases. But diminuitive Lefty was not his wizard self. The Sox blasted him for two tying the runs in the eighth on a double off the rightfield wall by Don DiMaggio. He relieved Dickson after the first two Sox batters, both pinchhitters, had been struck out.—Associated Press.

Sports Gossip

London, Oct. 15.

Following is the result of the Lancashire Rugby Cup, semi-final. Oldham 7 Wigan 21.—Reuter.

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Members of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club are playing the Subscribing Members on Saturday, commencing at 3.15 p.m.

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The following have been chosen to represent the R.A.F. against 1/5 Commando on Sunday on Navy Ground Causeway Bay, at 4.45 p.m. Pope; Sinclair and Johnson, Anderson (Capt.) Cashman and Burns, Beech, Stickland, Lord, McKimon and Eve.

Reserves:— F/O Bradshaw, Kildare and Cpl. Ledingham.

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